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In re Patent Application of:
Yuko Takeda et al.

Application No.: 10/731,606

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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

Examiner: F. Traore

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

MS Petition
Commissioner for Patents
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.181, Applicants respectfully petition for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment, which, as indicated on a Notice of Abandonment mailed by the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on March 20, 2008, was deemed to be abandoned for Applicants' alleged failure to timely file a response to an Office Action mailed on July 24, 2007.

The Office Action dated July 24, 2007 was not received by Applicants' representative. Upon searching our prosecution file and docket records, Applicants' representative did not find any evidence of receipt of the Office Action.

Attached hereto is a copy of our official docket record as updated on April 3, 2008 to indicate receipt of the Notice of Abandonment. As is also reflected on the docket, the last Office Action that was received was mailed on January 19, 2007. Upon receipt of said

Office Action dated January 19, 2007, in accord with standard practice, the following entries were made in the docket:

i.	Response due 1M	19-Mar-2007	Reminder
ii.	Response Due	19-Apr-2007	Due Date
iii.	Response due in 2M/1 st Ext	19-May-2007	Due Date
iv.	Response Return Posted Rec'd	17-Jun-2007	Reminder
v.	Response due in 1M/2 nd Ext	19-Jun-2007	Due Date
vi.	Response due in 2Wks	05-Jul-2007	Reminder
vii.	Response due in 1Wk	12-Jul-2007	Reminder
viii.	Response Due 3 rd /Final Ext	19-Jul-2007	Final

All entries also have a final column giving the date when action should be taken without an extension, i.e., April 17, 2007.

If the Official Action dated July 24, 2007 had been received, the docket would have the following entries:

a.	Response due 1M	24-Sep-2007	Reminder
b.	Response Due	24-Oct-2007	Due Date
c.	Response due in 2M/1 st Ext	24-Nov-2007	Due Date
d.	Response Return Posted Rec'd	22-Dec-2007	Reminder
e.	Response due in 1M/2 nd Ext	24-Dec-2007	Due Date
f.	Response due in 2Wks	10-Jan-2008	Reminder
g.	Response due in 1Wk	17-Jan-2008	Reminder
h.	Response Due 3 rd /Final Ext	24-Jan-2008	Final

with a final column for all these entries stating October 24, 2007 as the date when action should be taken without an extension.

As can be seen, the none of the above entries a-h appear on the docket for this application.

Instead, the next entry was made when the Notice of Abandonment was received indicating immediate action - March 20, 2008.

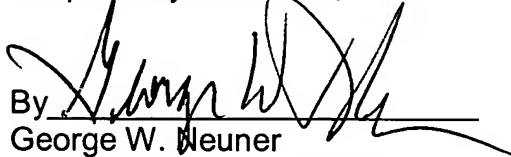
This matter was reported promptly to Applicant and a response was prepared to accompany this petition.

In view of the foregoing evidence showing non-receipt of the Office Action dated July 24, 2007, withdrawal of the holding of abandonment is respectfully requested.

If for any reason a fee is required, a fee paid is inadequate or credit is owed for any excess fee paid, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge Deposit Account No. **04-1105**.

Dated: April 25, 2008

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List Of Actions

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Certified Copy Sent	08-Dec-2003	Final	08-Dec-2003
Declaration and POA Sent	08-Dec-2003	Due Date	08-Dec-2003
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Information Dis Follow Up Date	08-Jun-2004	Due Date	08-Dec-2003
Information Disclosure Stmt	08-Jun-2004	Final	08-Dec-2003
Filing Receipt Received?	08-Jul-2004	Reminder	17-Mar-2004
Application Status Check	08-Jun-2005	Due Date	01-Jan-1930
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